

THURSDAY EVENING, FEB. 26, 1903

THE Norfolk Landmark says :

"Virginia's member of the naval committee of the House of Representatives is the Hon. John F. Rixey, of Culpeper. He is a good man in his place and a credit to the State, but his place is not on the naval committee. He is opposed, along with Congressman Jones of the First district, to materially increasing

We thought better things than this of the Landmark, for it looks like this journal is joining in the cry for "the old flag and an appropriation." Many will think that for the mere chance of getting a ship built in Norfolk the Landmark would encourage Congress in this reckless expenditure of the public money. Mr. Rixey fully answered such critics as the Landmark in his speech in the House last week in opposition to that part of the naval appropriation bill which provides for the construction of four additional battleships. He took the ground that it is bad policy to build new ships over old plans, and that it would be best to wait plans, and that it would be best to wait and see the outcome of some of the experiments now going on before any more ships are authorized. He said he felt that there has been a systematic effort to that there has been a systematic effort to scare the people into building a big navy by talking of a possible war with Germany, and took the ground that the men who profit most by the building of the ships are most active in creating a public sentiment in favor of the expansion of the navy. He also stated that it would require ten years to finish the ships already contracted for.

REPRESENTATIVE DEARMOND, of Missouri, yesterday introduced a resolution requesting the President to learn and advise the Congress upon what terms, if any, satisfactory to the inhabitants of the territory affected, Great Britain would consent to cede Canada to the United States, Mr. DeArmond is considered one of the ablest men in the House, but why he should have conceived such an idea is not understood by his friends. If there is a hidden meaning in the resolution it lies down too deep to be discovered by the casual reader. for certain it is that England would as soon think of ceding Canada to the United States as the United States would think of ceding to England. It is hoped that Mr. DeArmond is not given to lington, Vt., submitted an affidavit

THE subcommittee of the House com mittee on merchant marine and fisheries, that went to Boston to investigate the subject of coal transportation, reported to the full committee a few days since the results of the hearings held. The report reviews the conditions found from the question as to whether any under-the question as to whether any under-told of the killing of Filipino prisoners bonds, and it was on some of these that by Major Matcalf, and Captain Bishop, loans were secured. standing between the coal roads and op erators existed the subcommittee expresses no opinion. Owing to the fact that the session is so near an end, the subcommittee finds it impossible to continue the investigation. This shows the humbuggery of commissions which have degenerated into mere junketing trips.

AN INTERNATIONAL congress of anarchists is to be held in Paris, at which, it is said, arrangements are to be made for active work in the interests of the organization. It is even alleged that certain rulers are to be marked for removal. The past few years' history should be a sufficient reminder to all nations that the time has come when something should be done in the way of suppressing gatherings which aim to destroy all forms of human government and to plunge the world in chaos. France is a fertile field for such noxious growths, and the coming convention will doubtless prove a propaganda for anarchists.

DR. C. H. CRAWFORD, known as the president of the Virginia Anti-saloon League, who was recently removed from that position, will go to Baltimore and make his headquarters there. Rev. Crawford is the minister who was cowhided by Judge Campbell, which affair brought about the Campbell-Crawford investigation now going on before the legislature. It was a sad day for Virginia when Mr. Crawford was brought here from the North. He did not understand the people of the South, so kept himself and others in hot water all the time he was in Virginia. He leaves the State for the State's good.

IN THE House of Delegates on Tuesday a joint resolution was adopted providing for the appointment of a commission to adjust the statutes to the new constitution and report by March 11. A provision for a recess from April 3 to
June 1 was stricken out. A similar
resolution was advocated several months
ago by Mr. Caton, who showed at that
time that a committee could do the work
of adjusting better and quicker than
could the entire legislature, but his
measure was defeated. Of course the
provision for a recess was stricken out
of Tuesday's resolution, for during such
a recess the members would not receive
their four dollars a day!

## FROM WASHINGTON.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.]
Washington, D. C., Feb. 26. Charges that Reed Smoot, the recently elected Senator from Utah, is a polygamist, were today formally filed

polygamist, were today formally filed with the Senate committee on privileges and elections. They are presented in the form of a sworn statement signed by J. L. Leilich, associate representative of the citizens and electors of Utah. The the citizens and electors of Utah. The document, which consists of 13 counts, was drawn up by General W. W. Dudley, of this city. This Congress can take no action upon it, nor can Mr. Smoot be prevented from taking the oath when the next Senate meets, but by filing the document now, it constitutes a charge against his eligibility to hold his seat which will have to be investigated at the which will have to be investigated at the next session. It is evident that Mr. Smoot's opponents propose to press the matter. The charges state speci-fically that "Reed Smoot is a polyganist, and that since the adon of Utah into the union of States he, although then and there having a legal wife, married a plural wife in the State of Utah, and since such plural or polygamous marriage the said Reed Smoot has lived and cohabited with both his legal wife and his plural wife in the State of Utah and elsewhere, as occasion offered." The only record of the plural onered. The only record of the plural marriage, the petition says, is "a secret record in the exclusive custody and control of the First Presidency and the quorum of the 12 apostles of the said Church, of which the said Reed Smoothers," and the Sanctic constitute it. Church, of which the said Reed Smoot is one," and the Senate committee is urged to compel the church to produce this secret record for the consideration of the Senate. Senator-elect Smoot, when shown a copy of this document, declared "It is an infamous lie. emphatically: "It is an infamous lie. I have but one wife. I never contracted a plural marriage, and I defy these people to name or 1r duce the polygamous wife they accuse me of possessing or of any other women with whom I have ever

unpleasant incident of the congress. When a motion was put instructing the secretary to cast the entire vote of the congress for Mrs. Fairbanks, there was one dissenting voice of "No," the sound coming from the direction of the New York delegation. Immediately a chorus of hisses greeted this unpopular nega-tive, and Mrs. Donald McLean, of New York, who had just seconded Mrs. Fair bank's nomination in a brilliant speech made a request that the dissenting vote be withdrawn. By common consent this was taken for granted, and Mrs. Fairbanks was declared unanimously elected. Mrs. McLean, who last year was Mrs. Fairbanks' most vigorous com-petitor for the honor, complimented the work of her old opponent highly and besought her unanimous reelection. There was no other candidate. The amount contributed to the Continental Hall fund yesterday by the delegates was announced this morning to be more than \$10,000.

Testimony was taken informally this morning regarding outrages in the Philippines, at the office of Senator Carmack, the minority leader of the Senate Philippine committee. The witnesses present had been refused a hearing by a strict party vote of the full committee. selves. Albert L. Cross, of Burlington, Vt., submitted an affidavit for the recovery of losses sustained on stating that he and another man had administered the water cure to Father Augustine by direction of Captain Brownell, and in his presence. The object of the torture, he said, was to get money supposed to belong to the insurgents government. T. O'Connor, of l'ittsburg, told of the severity with which the priest was handled on the gunboat Paragua, and of his appeals for aid. report reviews the conditions found from the evidence to have existed, but upon Lieutenant John T. Hall, of Oklahoma, of Virginia officials were added to the

> and of the burning of hou The democrats of the House in caucus today pledged themselves to resist the unseating of Congressman Butler from Missouri as recommended by the ma-jority and to stand together in support of the demand for the presence of a quorum at all times for the transaction of business, and a recorded yea and nay vote upon everything upon which the House shall act up to the moment of final adjournment. Representative Hay, of Virginia, presided and Mr. Cowherd, of Missouri, acted as Secretary. The resolution denounced in plain terms the attempt on the part of the republi-cans to unseat Butler and the seating of Wagoner, which they regarded as blind partisanship in disregard of a majority of 6,300 by which Butler was returned. "We will kill all vicious legislation," said Secretary Cowherd after the meet

ing. "Our action, I believe, will make it impossible for the republicans to pass anything accept the appropriation bills. This will not have the effect of forcing an extra session. But we will not al-low Butler to be unseated without making the best fight we can make.'
The floor fight in the Butler case will be in charge of Representatives DeArmond, Richardson and Feely. The republicans have held hurried conferences to devise a counter programme to that of the democrats. "The only thing to do," said Mr. Cannon, "is to get the republicans in and maintain a republican quorum. We will do business ourselves. if necessary. We have a committe on rules that will see to it that business is

not suspended." A sensation was sprung today when it was learned that the Pennsylvania Railroad had written to members of the House soliciting their support of the Senate amendment to the Union Station

President Roosevelt has informed certain Senators that he will positively call he Senate together in extra session beginning March 9th, if the canal and Cuban reciprocity treaties are not rati-fied before the end of the present session. With this definite assurance the Sen-ate leaders have concluded to make a strong effort to ratify the two treaties

ceed to the University Club where he will hold a small reception. The presidential party consisted of Secretary Loeb, Dr. Rixey, Commander Cowles, a stenographer and representatives of the press associations. Aboard the train were two detectives who stuck close to the President whenever he appeared upon the platform or left the train. The arrest in New York last night of Francois Hirtsel, a self confessed anarchist, acounts for the extraordinary precautions that will be taken on the present trip. It is believed by the authorities that he was waiting in Jersey City to attack President Roosevelt, At all the President's route, extra details of policemen and detectives in citizens dress will be stationed to watch for suspicious characters. The Panama Canal Company has replied to Attorney General Knox's cablegram accepting the two minor modifications in the contract for the purchase of the property by the United States which were suggested by him. No official declaration has yet been received from the company as to whether it will cosent to the extension of the option after the 4th of March should the Senate fail to ratify the Colombian treaty before that time, although it is hoped that such an arrangement may yet be affected. In the meantime the administration is using all its influence to secure the ratification of the treaty before the close of the present session.

A number of Richmond people are here to see Senator Martin and Representative Lamb about the appropriation for the postoffice building in their city. From what is learned here the Richmonders don't know what they do want.

The Eepublican National Editorial Associa-

# do want. The Republican National Editorial Associa-tion met today in convention at the Arlington Hotel. NEWS OF THE DAY.

John D. Rockefeller, jr., and his wife were guests of Booker T. Washington at Tuskegee, Ala., yesterday.

The first blow was struck yesterday on the work of constructing the Pennsylvania Railroad tunnel under the East and North rivers and through New York city. General Ochona, who owns the Popocatapetl volcano, including im-mense sulphur deposits in its crater, is reported to have sold that property to an

American syndicate. A destructive fire early yesterday prac tically wiped out the business part of the town of Mount Airy, Md., on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, 20 miles east of Frederick city. The total loss is estimat-ed to be between \$75,000 and \$100,000.

King Edward yesterday promised President D. R. Francis, of the St. Louis World's Fair, to send the collection of Queen Victoria's jubilee gifts to be ex-hibited at the fair and to aid all he could in securing a great exhibit from Great

William Goldberg, an immigrant who arrived in New York under the name of Ludwig Mollanar, with a 16 year-old son, committed suicide on Ellis Island yesterday. He had been ordered tor deportation, having been charged by the Austrian consul with forgery and

Mr. Louis F. Schade, German-Ameri can author, journalist, and lawyer, died at his home in Washington last night of hypostatic pneumonia, aged 74 years. He stumped the west for Stephen A. Douglas, defended Col. Wirz, of Andersonville prison, and was a Jackson

Three men were killed, two mortally wounded and several severely injured in a fight between striking miners and offi-cials at Standiford, Raleigh county, W. Va,, yesterday as was stated in the Gazette of that day. The trouble grew out of the attempt to arrest 34 miners for violation of the blanket injunction issued by Federal Judge Keller last

The suit brought in New York by Ladenburg, Thalman & Co. against the Importers' and Traders' National Bank

# D. A. R.

Mrs. Donald McLean, of New York, who had been prominently mentioned as a candidate in the coming election for president general of the Daughters of the American Revolution now in session in Washington, yesterday, announced her withdrawal. This action insures the re-election of Mrs. Fairbanks for another term of two years, and also means that Mrs. McLean will be a candidate for president general two years hence. Several amendments to the constitution were referred to a committee to submit a recommendation. Mrs. Lyons, of Kentucky, took the chair and Mrs. Fairbanks made a report on the work of the committee on the proposed continental memorial hall.

A site in Washington for the hall, she said, had been purchased for \$50,000. She said it was the sacred duty of the congress to contribute to the fund for he erection of the hall.

Several of the ladies presented a silver loving cup to Mrs. Fairbanks as a token of appreciation of her services. Mrs. Fairbanks made a fitting response. Subscriptions made by the State chapters Continental hall fund were announced, the aggregate approximating \$50,000. The \$50,000 for the site has already been paid and approximately \$65,000 remains on hand. It is expected that the building will cost in the neighborhood of \$300,000.

## CONGRESSIONAL

The Senate yesterday made rapid progress in the disposition of matters pending before it. As stated in the Gazette of that day the statehood riders to the agriculture and postoffice appropriation bills were withdrawn and both bills passed. The House amendments to the Philippine currency bill were agreed to with but slight discussion, thus sending the bill to the President, and the sundry civil bill also was considered and nearly

completed. A large number of pension bills also was passed.

The House yesterday adopted the con-ference report on the army appropriation bill and sent that bill to the President. The Fowler carrancy bill was debuted in bill and sent that bill to the President.
The Fowler currency bill was debated in
a desultory way. Mr. Clayton, of
Alabama, delivered a mock funeral
oration on the bill. The Speaker appointed the committee to represent the House at the dedication of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition.

Miss Lizzie Ryan returned blow blow and kick for kick at Chicago last night, when an alleged footpad sprang from the shadow of a building and attempted to wrest her purse from her hand, and by her plucky fight finally landed her assailant in a prison cell.

## VIRGINIA NEWS.

A sensation was created at Old Point Comfort yesterday by the appearance of a whale just off the shore. Large whales can frequently be seen about Capes Charles and Henry, but it is a rare thing for them to come into Hampton roads.

Fire, which occurred at 2:30 o'clock vesterday morning, destroyed Walter Taylor's feed store, in Richmond caus-ing a loss of \$1,200. Miss Whiteman, an employe of the Whitlock Tobacco Company, occupied the third floor. She attributes her escape to the intelligence of her shepherd dog, which woke her by pawing at the bed clothes. Judge William M. Atkinson, of the

County Court of Frederick, yesterday admitted to bail in \$500 ex-Mayor D. E. Edmondson, arrested Saturday last, charged with having been an accessory to the incendiary fires and burglary of several stores in Middletown. This leaves but one—Albert Rhodes—of the seven prisoners arrested on this charge now in jail.

Rev. E. A. Temple, who has been rec tor of the Episcopal Church at Front Royal, is also of Meade Memorial Church at White Post for the past seven years and six months, preached his farewell sermon on Sunday, the 15th instant. He spent several days during the week visiting members of the parish. He left on Monday for Waco, Texas, to take charge of a large and prosperous church at that place.

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Jim Hayes and Bishop Walters both colored, held a conference at the White House with President Roosevelt on Tuesday evening in regard to the fight against Virginia and other southern constitutions. They directed the President's special attention to the increasing number of States of the South which are moving to disfranchise the negro. Bishop Walters also explained his plain to raise found from the negroes of the North and funds from the negroes of the North and South to fight this movement by having the Supreme Court pass upon suffrage clauses in State constitutions.

The second trial of ex-Alderman John M. King on the charge of receiving bribes in connection with the award of city contracts was begun in the Hust-ings Court in Richmond before Judge Ingram, of Manchester, yesterday. A sensation was sprung when objection, was raised to Juror Donahue, on the ground that he had been approached by friends of King and asked to be light on him. He was rejected and the Commonwealth's Attorney was requested to thoroughly investigate this aspect of the case. Further developments are anticipated.

#### THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Mr. Joseph W. Southall, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, has addressed a general letter to the county and city superintendents of public schools, requesting them to recommend in writing such changes in the statutes as they may deem wise and expedient, after reviewing the 1901 edition of school laws.

Superintendent James Ashby, o Stafford county, referred his letter to Mr. Enever Lucas, Clerk of the County School Board, and that gentleman, in a carefully prepared paper, which gives evidence of much research and study, submitted to Mr. Ashby, among other

suggestions, the following:
That some provision be made for a substitute for the superintendent in the event of the latter's protracted absence or sickness, in case his services should be needed.

The appointment of school trustees by the judge of the Circuit Court, as there will be no County Court after January 1,

Change the time for the annual meeting of the County School Board to the fourth Monday in July, at which time the Board of Supervisors meet and the two bodies can confer as to appropriations, etc.

State definitely whether school buildings can be used for any other purposes than for school use, and if so, designate specifically such purposes.

Dou't change school books every four

but use them for six or eight

Provide better protection for property donated to the county for school pur

other State may in their discretion give school houses, the same advantages as those living within this State, in the interest of general education.

The time for taking the school census

Boards of districts bordering on an

should be changed from June and July to the period between February 1st. and June 1st.

Mr. Lucas cites instances and illustrations and gives strong reasons for all of

The paper is an able one and copies will be forwarded to the Superintendent of Public Instruction at Richmond, and to Senator G. M. Wallace and Hon. M. K. Lowry, to be laid before the proper committees of the Senate and House, respectively.

Two WIVES IN FIFTEEN MINUTES .-Fifteen minutes after his decree of divorce was entered in the county clerk's office in New York on Tuesday, Morde cai Pepper, a manufacturing jeweler, was married in his lawyer's office to his former housekeeper, Elizabeth Jane

Pepper brought suit for divorce last fall, and Wednesday Judge Blanchard granted him a decree by default, his wife not appearing to contest the suit. Pepper and Miss Adair were in court, and they urged Lawyer Frauenthal to hurry up about having the judgment en-tered. When he got back to his office, at 280 Broadway, he found them await-

"Is the judgment entered?" asked

Pepper.
"Saw it done with my own eyes less than five minutes ago," said Frauenthal.
"Then we are ready to get married," said Pepper.

The lawyer sent a hurrry call to the aldermatic chamber, where the city fathers were in session. Alderman Isaac Marks responded and tied the knot. There is a feeling among leaders of Cor

cross that an extra session will be avoided. It is assured that the appropriation bills will It is assured that the appropriation bills will pass. This will obviate the necessity for an extra session of both branches of Congress. The only question remaining is whether the two important treaties now pending in the Senate—the Cuban reciprocity convection and the proposed treaty with Colombia for canal concessions—will be ratified. Certain republicans in the Senate expressed the opinion that both treaties will be ratified before adjournment.

## LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

The Sale bill, to create a bureau of insurance and to provide for the election of a superintendent of insurance, came up in the Senate yesterday. Mr. Sale offered amendments to perfect the bill, and they were all agreed to without objection. Then, without a dissenting vote jection. Then, without a dissenting the act was ordered to its engrossment. It will come up upon its passage today. The bill provides for a superintendent of insurance, to be elected for a term of six years. He is to be chosen by the General Assembly. His salary will be \$2,-500 per year, to be paid by the State, the commonwealth to be reimbursed through and by the assessments upon the insurance companies. Both fire and life insurance companies are affected. The bill surance companies are affected. The bill also provides for \$2,500 for the expenses

of the office, to be paid in like manner.

The Lyle child-labor bill came up as a special order. It had been engrossed, and the question was upon the passage of the measure. The bill was passed rithout a dissenting vote.

Mr. Cogbill's act to remove the prohi-

oition upon persons of over 60 years of ige from serving on grand juries was pas-

sed without a dissenting vote.

The bill offered by Mr. Mann to authorize the Court of Appeals to direct its clerk to destroy certain manuscript records was passed without objection.

Mr. Ilwaine's bill to provide for the executive of a uniappointment of commissioners on uni-ormity of legislation was passed.

#### HOUSE.

In the House the Speaker was overruled, and amendments were made to the tax bill on appeal from his decision. The question was on the equalization of taxes between real and intangible property as embodied in the Lassiter amendments, which provided for increasing the assessments on real estate from 20 to 25 cents, allowing the additional five cents, to go for pensions, and to reduce the rate on intangible property from 30 to 25 cents. Mr. Boaz, chairman of the finance committee, led off with a speech in opposition to the Lassiter amendments.

Mr. Sipe advocated the amendments

Mr. Whitehead made a speech for the amendments, and cited the effect it would have upon the Jamestown Expo-

sition appropriation.

Mr. Lassiter spoke for his amendments.

Speaker Ryan took the floor and stated there could be no question as to the pay-ment of pensions for 1904; and made a plea for adherence to the report of the committee when it came to a speaker ruled that it required a majority of all the votes to make it valid. Mr. Davis led the fight against the

ruling of the Speaker, contending that if ruling of the Speaker, contending that in the Speaker were sustained every amend-ment so far passed would have to be voted over again. The Speaker was over-ruled and the amendments were adopted.

The effect of this amendment adopted is to make the State tax for government

is to make the State tax for government purposes 25 cents on all property instead of 30 cents, as now, while the school tax remains 10 cents.

At 1:45 the House passed the general tax bill by a vote of 59 to nothing, and after passing the House bill to authorize cities and towns to issue bonds to settle outstanding obligations, the body adjourned until Friday in order to give free score to the argument in the Campbell cope to the argument in the Campbell investigation tomorcow.

The House finance committee last night favorably reported a bill to ap-propriate \$5,000 to defend suits against the new constitution, and another to appropriate \$2,000 to enforce the Glass pure food bill. Both these measures have passed the Senate. The committee reported the bill to appropriate \$50,000 additional for penitentiary improvements with the recommendation that it do not

The roads committee considered the bill offered by Mr. Angell, of Roanoke bill offered by Mr. Angell, of Roanoce, giving the corporation commission the regulation of matters relating to demurrage charges by railroads, but did not rage charges by railroads, but did not rage charges by railroads, but did not chicago, Feb. 26.—"I move that we, act upon it. Mr. W. A. Glasgow, jr., chicago, Feb. 26.—"I move that we, act upon it. Mr. W. A. Glasgow, jr., the Chicago Woman's Club, withdraw the Chicago Woman's Clu of Roanoke, appeared against the bill.

(lockjaw) ever seen among domestic aninals in King George county manifested itself a few days ago in a fine young mare belonging to Dr. T. T. Arnold. Less than a month ago Dr. Arnold noticed a small agrasion on one of the ani-mal's legs, but it was so trifling in apperance that no special attention was paid to it. It resulted, probably, from a kick, or some unknown cause, and was left to heal. Some days ago the mare developed alarming symptoms, and De developed alarming symptons, and Dr. Arnold began a treatment of the case. The mare grew rapidly worse, and the doctor called in a neighboring physician, who at once agreed with him that he had a case of chronic tetanus on his hands. Both Dr. Arnold and Dr. Minor have given the animal every possible atten-tion—the most modern methods being on-the most modern dopted, but so far the disease is not rending to treatment, and the indicasponding to treatment, and the indica-tions are that the mare will not survive

NEW UNION STATION .- The new Union Railroad Station for Washington is now assured by the action of the House yesterday afternoon as stated in the Gazette of that day, in receding from its northwest of this city, is 15 inches stand on the question of the amount of money to be paid the Pennsylvania and Baltimore and Ohio Railroads to-ward the elevation of their tracks. The Senate appropriated \$1,500,000 to each road, but the House cut it down to \$1,000,000. This has been the bone of coutention on the conference between the two branches of Congress over the bill, and yesterday, when the conference re-port was made to the House, Mr. Babcock made a motion to insist upon the disagreement and asked for another con-Mr. Morrell, of Pennsylvania, moved that the House recede and accepthe Senate provision. Mr. Morrell's motion, and carried by 157 yeas to 98 navs.

To Get Rid of a Troublesome First soak it in warm water to soften it, then pare it down as closely as pos-sible without drawing the blood and apply Chamberlain's Pain Balm twice daily, rubbing vigorously for five minutes at each application. A corn daster should be worn for a few days, to protect it from the shoe. As a general liniment for sprains, bruises, lameness and rheumatism, Pain Balm is unequaled. For sale by Richard Gibson, druggist.

Is it a burn? Use Dr. Thomas' Ec Oil. A cut? Use Dr. Thomas' Ec Oil. At your druggists.

# TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

From Richmond. [Special dispatch to the Alexandria Richmond, Va., Feb. 26.—The Senate to-day passed the bill creating a bureau of insurance and defining its duties and powers. Mr. Donohoe voted no.

A bill was offered by Mr. McIlwaine

authorizing the assignment of life insurance

A bill granting a site in the Capitol Square and appropriating \$10,000 for the Stnart monu-ment was favorably reported to the Senate.

Big Clothing House Burned.

New York, Feb. 26.—A fire broke out this morning in the eight story building at 837 Broadway, occupied by Hackett and Carhardt, clothiers, and several other firms and before the flames lying motive. were extinguished, a damage of \$250,000 had been entailed. There was a small sized panic among the guests of the Morton House, which is next door to the Morton House, which is next door to the burned building, but the flames were confined to the building in which they started. Seven firemen, fighting the flames with the line of hose on the sixth floor, were driven to a small balcony outside of a front window from which the flames broke out in volumes. It seemed that the men must either jump of be incinerated. Two fire chap-lains fell on their knees in the street and lains fell on their knees in the street and prayed. A hook and ladder truck was hauled alongside of the building and in a hail of fire the extension ladder was raised but the ladder only reached to the fifth floor, and, without waiting two firemen started up carrying between them a scaling ladder. On the top rounds they swayed the ladder so that they could reach over with the scaling ladder, and hook it to the balcony. Then a cloud of black smoke obscured everything from the sight of those in the street, and when it cleared not a fireman could be seen. It was not a fireman could be seen. It was thought that all had gone down in the thought that all had gone down in the flames. But the seven had recovered the line of hose they had taken with them, and instead of desiring rescue, had fought the flames back into the building. Captain Andrus, of engine No. 7, fell through a shaft on the sixth floor and was picked up unconscious. He died later at the hospital. Two other firemen were fighting the fire from a stone stairway on the sixth floor when the metal ceiling fell and buried them. the metal ceiling fell and buried them. All were cut and bruised when dug out The propand two were unconscious. The property belongs to the Roosevelt estate and is managed by an uncle of the Presi-

#### A Million Dollar Blaze.

Cincinnati, O., Feb. 26.—The old historic Pike's Opera House building, a historic Pike's Opera House building, a six story structure situated on Fourth street, was destroyed by fire, and an office building, with almost a hundred offices, was gutted in the front portion early this morning. The theatre is a wreck, as for three hours the fire raged in all parts of it. The several stores on the ground floor are gutted and from the in all parts of it. The several stores on the ground floor are gutted and from the basement to the roof the flames burned away everything that they came in contact with and spread to the Seasongood building, extending to Vine street. The Henry Strauss cigar store with its cellars stored with cigars was destroyed. Other stores burned were the Baltimore & Southwestern offices: the Richter & & Southwestern offices; the Richter & Philipps jewelry store, the Adams Express Company offices Martin and White's restaurants and the Joffe grocery company. The loss it is estimated will reach almost \$1,000,000. While the firemen were at work in the street, they saw a pair of cuffs drop from the roof over the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad offices. They picked them up and found this inscrip tion on them: "For God's sake, save me — William Jones." The firemen who is an amateur actor and had tried to save his wardrobe which was in the building. The fire was practically un-der control at 6 o'clock. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

the Chicago Woman's Club, withdrour membership from the National Following defined case of chronic tetanus question, a position which we, as sist of humanity, cannot condone." T was a motion submitted by Dr. Jt Smith, addressing the Chicago Woma Club. The members who thought color question dead had found it com to the front in a startling aspect. " draw." and go home, just because we do agree on every point," said Mrs. Rob Fearson. "This color question cambe avoided, therefore let us stay a lend our influence to the greatest go of the greatest number." "I do not dot that we shall stay in the federation that we shall stay in the federatio said Dr. Celia Wooley "and if we we must stand by federation is large and unwieldy perhaps it is not destined to last lo but let us stand by it."

Snow Storm in Texas. Fort Worth, Tex., Feb 26.-A sr storm has for 36 hours becover the Texas Panhandle The snowfall at Herford about 300 m the fall still continues. Similar con tions prevail as far south as a point miles from here. Much dama been done telegraph and telephone The cattle losses from the great blizzard do not amount to more than one per cent, but a snow now, if it remains long on the ground, will cause serious loss. The lowest the thermometer reached is 28 at Hereford. In this part of the State there is a moderate rainfall.

outhern Acquires the Flagler Line, Columbia, S. C., February. 26.—It is reported here that the Southern Railway system has acquired the Florida East Shore Railway, known on the Flagler Line, extending from Jackson-ville to Miami. It is believed five steamship lines are included in the purchase. The information as to the purchase came through a Southern officer, who would not be quoted. This gives the Southern command of the fast service to Cuba. The three great trunk lines traversing the South Atlantic States have been anxious for this important link. The mileage of the Flagier road is something

# MARRIED.

On the morning of February 26, at the residence of the bride in this city, by Rev. W. J. Morton, assisted by Rev. Dr. F. J. Brooke, Mrs. MARGARET M. TODD to Mr. FRANK S. HARPER,

Confessed Five Murders. Hamilton, O., Feb. 26 .- Alber Knapp made a second confession this morning to Mayor Dosch, Chief of Police Kummade a second contession this motumes to Mayor Dosch, Chief of Police Kummerlin, Captain Lenahan and Sheriff Bisdorf, Jin which he told of five murders. Three of them were in Cincinnati, one in Hamilton and one in Indianapolis. In Cincinnati he killed a little girl named Emma Lippleman in a lumber yard after assaulting her; Mary Eckert, in a house on Walnut street, and his second wife, Jennie Connor, under the bridge at Liberty street, and threw her body in the canal. In Hamilton he killed Hanna Goddard Knapp. At Indianapolis he killed Ida Gebhard. All were strangled and lust was the underlying motive.

#### A Desperate Encounter

Chicago, Feb. 26 .- Henry Carr was Chicago, Feb. 26.—Henry Carr was arrested some time ago for stealing. During his incarceration James Fletcher became unduly intimate with Mrs. Carr. When the husband learned of this, he swore he would kill Fletcher. Last night Fletcher was in the home of Mrs. Carr's father, Patrick Foley, when Carr entered at once opened fire, shooting Fletcher through three times. They grappled and in the struggle crashed through a window, falling to the ground from the first story. At this time from the first story. At this time Fletcher secured the gun and blew Carr's brains out. Fletcher will die. Carr's body is in the morgue.

Huge Religious Demonstration Huge Religious Demonstration.

New York, Feb. 26.—A remarkable religious demonstration will take place tonight in Carnegie Hall, where President Roosevelt has promised to speak at a great meeting held in celebration of the 200th anniversary of the birth of John Wesley. Leaders of Methodism from all over the country will be present and the capacity of the great auditorium will be taxed to the utmost to accommodate all who wish to be present. Already there have been 15,000 applications for tickets. There is a two-fold object for the holding of this meeting. It is designed not only to honor the memory of John Wesley, but also to increase interest in what is known as the "Twentieth Century Movement." This movement is represented by a commission to raise a huge fund of \$1,000,000 for the payment of debts and the endowment of Methodist institutions. The President, it is expected, will speak on the general topic of Methodism.

## Shot Her Betrayer.

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Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 26.—Jennie Thomas, a pretty young stenographer, aged 22, shot and killed her betrayer, Fred Broderson, last night, in this city, and then turned the revolver on herself, inflicting a fatal wound. Broderson and the young woman had kept company for some time prior to a year ago. After her betrayal she left the city, returning a few days ago, previously writing Broderson that he must make good his pledge and marry her or cles the double tragedy would follow. She found Broderson alone. He declined to marry her and the girl fired, the builet piercing his heart, The next instant she fired into her own breast, fulling unconscious and mortally wounded ou Broderson's lifeless body

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